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Congratulations to the Girls & Boys Wrestling and Girls & Boys Basketball teams on their successful winter seasons. Good luck to our spring athletes as we approach the opening of the spring season. As we approach springtime, please remember to watch the weather forecast. Spring weather can be very volatile.

Upcoming Events:

- February 17-18th: State GWR @ Omaha
- February 17th & 19th: GBB Sub-Districts @ Overton (6/7:30PM) (6:00PM)
- February 19-21st: State BWR @ Omaha
- February 20th: BBB vs. Gibbon 6PM (Senior Night)
- February 20th: State Cheer & Dance @ Grand Island
- February 23, 24, 26th: BBB Sub-Districts @ TBD
- February 25th: FKC Speech @ SEM
- March 2nd: 1st Day of Spring Sports Practice
- March 3rd & 4th: Pre-School Registration 9-11, 1-2:30PM
- March 5-7th: State GBB @ Lincoln
- March 9th: School Board Mtg. 7:30PM

Pre-School/Pre-Kindergarten Registration: Pre-School and Pre-Kindergarten registration days for the 2026-2027 school year are as follows: Tuesday, March 3rd and Wednesday, March 4th. This is registration for both our Pre-School (3-yr old) and Pre-Kindergarten (4-yr old) programs. Students who turn 3 or 4 by July 31st are eligible to attend. Registration will occur from 9-11:00AM & 1-2:30PM on these days. You will need to bring their official birth certificate from the State of Nebraska along with their current immunizations. If you are unable to attend these registration days, please contact me at school to set up another time to register your child. Students who are currently enrolled in our Pre-School do not need to re-register for Pre-Kindergarten.

School Happenings: We are approaching that time of year for state testing. You will notice the NSCAS (state assessment) window opens on March 23rd. This is the statewide assessment that all students in grades 3-8 will be taking. The following subject areas are tested: Reading, Math, & Science. The Juniors will be taking the ACT on March 24th as part of the statewide ACT testing for all Juniors in Nebraska. Student performance is vital on these assessments as we are compared to all schools and students across Nebraska. Please ensure your students are well prepared during these testing periods with a good night's rest and balanced breakfast. The teachers have done a wonderful job providing our students with the information necessary to be successful on these assessments. Thank you for giving your best effort on the assessments.

Educationally yours,

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Update from the MS/HS Principal

Dear Families,

Thank you for attending Parent-Teacher Conferences Feb. 12th. We appreciate your time, partnership, and commitment to your child's education. As we move through the second semester, please continue encouraging your students to remain diligent with homework and assignments. As the weather begins to improve, it is natural for students to want to be outside and enjoy the sunshine. This is a valuable opportunity to help them develop academic discipline, responsibility, and accountability—skills that will serve them well beyond the classroom.

Sports Season Changes:

As winter sports seasons wrap up in early March, we will also reach the end of the 3rd Quarter on March 11. It is hard to believe that the final two months of the school year are right around the corner. Please encourage your students to finish strong.

Enrollment for 2026–2027:

Miss Skallberg is beginning preparations for enrollment for the 2026–27 school year. Parents of upper-level high school students, please begin discussing course options with your child, as they will have increased elective opportunities. Enrollment will take place in April, with the exact date to be announced soon.

Spring Activities:

I strongly encourage all students to get involved in extracurricular activities. Research consistently shows that students who are connected and involved in school activities tend to perform better academically and report a more positive school experience.

Thank you for your continued support of Overton Public Schools. We look forward to a productive and successful month ahead.

Educationally yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bill Johnson". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Mr. Bill Johnson-5–12 Principal

MARCH SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

GAGE CLIFTON

FUTURE PLANS

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY TO MAJOR
IN BUSINESS AND PLAY FOOTBALL

HIGH SCHOOL MEMORY

LOOMIS FOOTBALL GAME JR. YEAR

ACTIVITIES

FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL, TRACK,
FCA AND YOUTH GROUP

FAVORITE MOVIE / TV SHOW

EAST BOUND AND DOWN



ZOEY HERNANDEZ

FUTURE PLANS

ATTEND UNO AND MAJOR IN
PRE-CHIROPRACTIC AND PLAY THE
FLUTE IN THE CONCERT BAND

HIGH SCHOOL MEMORY

WHEN WE GOT SUPERIOR AT MINDEN
BANDFEST MY SOPHOMORE YEAR

ACTIVITIES

BAND, ONE ACT, VOLLEYBALL, CHOIR

FAVORITE MOVIE / TV SHOW

GREY'S ANATOMY



MARCH SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

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FUTURE PLANS

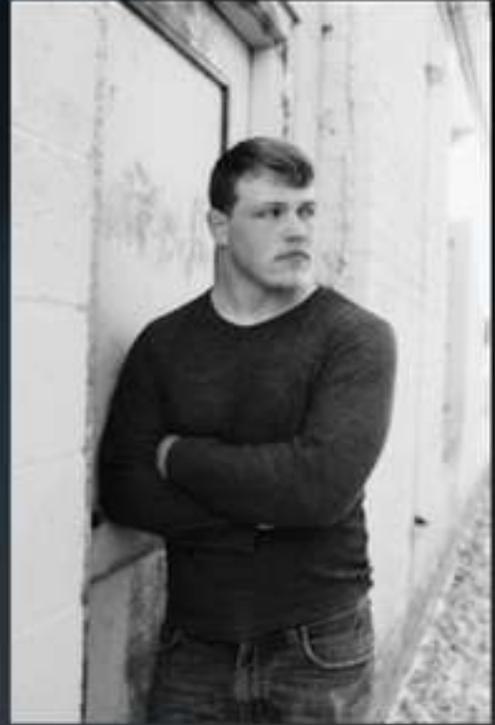
RANCHING

HIGH SCHOOL MEMORY

FRIZBEE GOLF

FAVORITE MOVIE / TV SHOW

THE ACCOUNTANT



JESSICA ALTWINE

FUTURE PLANS

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA-KEARNEY TO
MAJOR IN SECONDARY EDUCATION

HIGH SCHOOL MEMORY

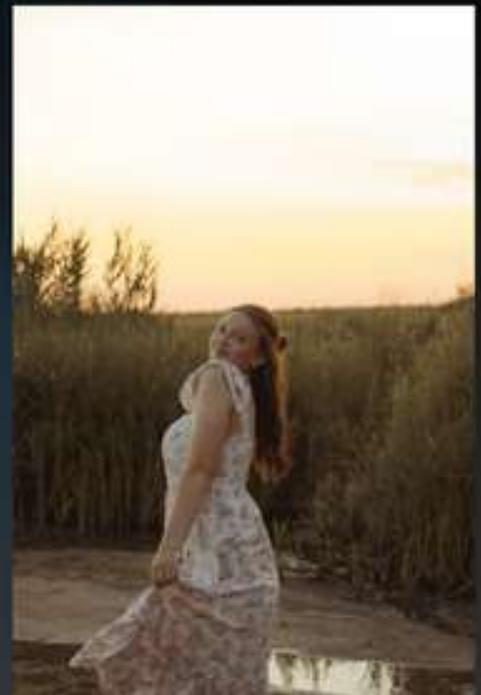
FRESHMAN HOMECOMING

ACTIVITIES

CHEER, DANCE, CHOIR, ONE ACT

FAVORITE MOVIE / TV SHOW

IT



MARCH SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

CHLOE SVARVARI

FUTURE PLANS

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA-KEARNEY TO
MAJOR IN ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

HIGH SCHOOL MEMORY

SOPHOMORE YEAR SPEECH CLASS

ACTIVITIES

VOLLEYBALL, SOFTBALL, FCA, FFA,
YOUTH GROUP (GOD SQUAD),
NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY, ONE ACT

FAVORITE MOVIE / TV SHOW

THE 100



JAELYNN ROBERTS

FUTURE PLANS

CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE-KEARNEY
TO BE A PEDIATRIC NURSE

HIGH SCHOOL MEMORY

FINDING OUT I WAS A FCCLA
STATE OFFICER FOR NEBRASKA

ACTIVITIES

ONE ACT, CHOIR, FCCLA, CHURCH
CLASSES/ACTIVITIES, JR HOMES BOARD
MEMBER, MOMS & MUNCHKINS (BABYSIT
DURING BIBLE STUDY)

FAVORITE MOVIE / TV SHOW

GREY'S ANATOMY



MARCH SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

TRACE BROOKS

FUTURE PLANS

PRE MED TO BECOME A DOCTOR

HIGH SCHOOL MEMORY

EXPLORING THE TUNNELS UNDER THE SCHOOL

ACTIVITIES

FCA, FFA, FOOTBALL, TRACK & FIELD,
ONE ACT, NATIONAL HONORS SOCIETY,
QUIZ BOWL

FAVORITE MOVIE / TV SHOW

TRANSFORMERS: REVENGE OF THE FALLEN /
STAR WARS THE CLONE WARS



CHASE POTTER

FUTURE PLANS

EASTERN WYOMING COLLEGE

HIGH SCHOOL MEMORY

JUNIOR YEAR FOOTBALL SEASON

ACTIVITIES

FOOTBALL AND TRACK

FAVORITE MOVIE / TV SHOW

HOW TO TRAIN YOUR
DRAGON 2



MARCH SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

TY KENNICUTT

FUTURE PLANS

SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE IN
MILFORD FOR DIESEL AG

HIGH SCHOOL MEMORY

JUNIOR FOOTBALL SEASON

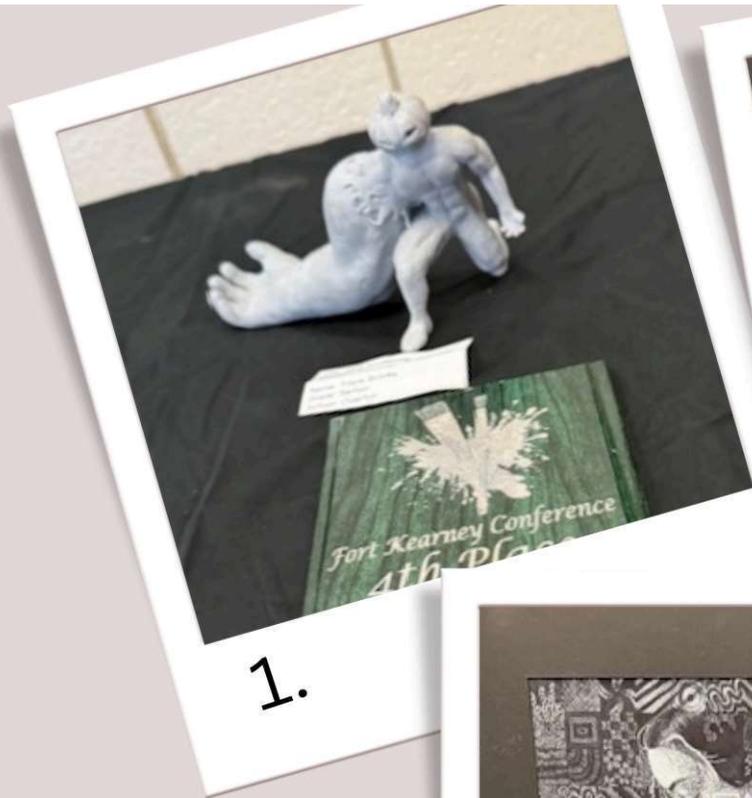
ACTIVITIES

FOOTBALL, FFA, 4-H

FAVORITE MOVIE / TV SHOW

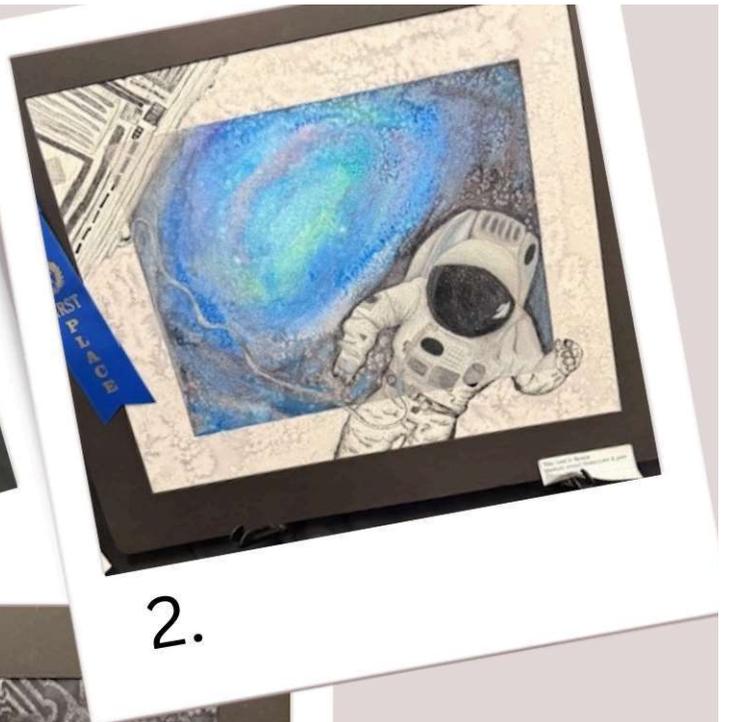
SMOKEY AND THE BANDIT





1.

1. Trace Brooks
4th Overall
"Jack Arm Strong"



2.

2. Neala McCall
1st Multimedia
"Lost in Space"



3.

3. Cadence Brooks
2nd Drawing
"Serenity"



5.

4. Cadence Brooks
2nd Multimedia
"Concealer"



4.

5. Neala McCall
Honorable Mention

2026
FKC Art Contest Winners

MUSIC ROOM NEWSLETTER

Spring 2026 | High School Choir

Busy Semester Ahead!

The high school choir has been hard at work this semester! We started off going to the Doane Vocal Festival where Jessie Altwine, Leah Sauer, Shyan Simmerman, Jaycelea Shubert, and Jaelynn Roberts sang in the choir. We then headed to UNK Honor Choir where Paige Walahoski, Shyan Simmerman, Leah Sauer, Cadence Brooks, Neala McCall, Tenleigh Roberts, and Jessie Altwine represented Overton in the choirs.

We have also started 7am rehearsals where students come in before school to prepare a solo or small group performance to take to FKC Contest, and District Music Contest. This helps them earn their choir letter.

Our final choir activity so far this semester was Singing Valentines. We had the chance to go all over Lexington and Overton to spread some love through song. It was a beautiful day filled with lots of good memories!



Upcoming Events

- 3/18 - FKC Music Contest
- 3/20 - National Anthem @ Tri-City Storm
- 4/22 - District Music Contest
- 4/23 - Solo/Small Ensemble Night
- 4/30 - 7-12 Concert
- 5/9 - Graduation
- 5/14 - K-6 Spring Concert

OVERTON PUBLIC SCHOOL

SEEKING SCHOLARSHIP SPONSORS

Overton Public School is seeking individuals or businesses interested in sponsoring a scholarship to be offered to future senior classes

REASONS:

- In honor of a family member or loved one
- Promote business or field of work
- Recognize a person who made a lasting impact
- Investing in student post secondary education
- Give back to the community / school

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LET'S CELEBRATE READING!

READ ACROSS AMERICA Week

MARCH 2-6



3/2 MONDAY-RED/WHITE FOR DR. SEUSS

**3/3 TUESDAY-FARMER DAY AND
AUTHOR VISIT**

Dress in your farmer best, but leave the muck at home!

3/4 WEDNESDAY-FUZZY AS A SHEEP DAY

We can't grow fleece, but we can wear it- fuzzy socks,
sweaters...

3/5 THURSDAY-PJ DAY

3/6 FRIDAY-FARM ANIMAL DAY

Bring your favorite stuffed animal to school.

Author Bruce Arant will
be presenting to K-6
students on Tuesday.
His books, "Simpson's
Sheep Just Want to
Sleep" and "Simpson's
Sheep Won't Go to
Sleep will be available
for purchase with
autograph.



NSAA SPEECH

Update



The Overton Speech team is halfway through our season. We have met some amazing competition and continue to grow in our craft!

Members pictured: Leah Sauer, Neala McCall, Yarel Gonzalez, Meagan Lassen, and Paige Walahoski. Other members include Lillian Palmer, Alyssa Warta, and Shyan Simmerman

District 2026 FCCLA STAR



Jaelynn Roberts - Christmas for a Cause
National Programs in Action
Level 3
Gold Medal - 1st Place



Neala McCaig - Healthy on the Inside & Out
National Programs in Action
Level 2
Gold Medal - 1st Place



Hailey McClain - ADHD vs ADD
Profession Presentation
Level 1
Gold Medal - 1st Place



Gavin Myers - AI: Artificial Creativity
Public Policy Advocate
Level 1
Gold Medal - 1st Place



Meagan Lassen - Spend Smart, Save Big
Personal Finance
Level 2
Gold Medal - 1st Place



Paige Walahoski - Hometown Hero
Chapter Service Project Portfolio
Level 2
Gold Medal - 1st Place

CONGRATS TO OUR FFA STATE QUALIFIED TEAMS

2ND PLACE MEATS TEAM

INDIVIDUAL CHAMPION: PAIGE WALAHOSKI, WITH
MASON DUTRO, NEVAEH SAUER, AND MEAGAN LASSEN

3RD PLACE FOOD SCI TEAM

PAIGE WALAHOSKI, MEAGAN LASSEN, LILLIAN PALMER,
TOBY ORVIS

MINUTES OF THE OVERTON PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
February 9, 2026
7:30 p.m.

Mission Statement: *The mission of Overton Public School is to provide opportunities for everyone to be Engaged, Enlightened, and Empowered.*

Board President called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Members Present:

Jeffries
Kizer
Lassen
Meier
Walahoski

Notification: The February 9, 2026, meeting of the Overton Public School Board of Education was posted at the Overton Public School, on the Overton Public School website, The Lexington Clipper Herald, Overton Post Office, and the Security First Bank.

Open Meetings Information: To be in compliance with LB 898, The Nebraska Open Meetings Act, Board President informed the public that a copy of the Open Meetings Law is posted near the LMC check-out counter.

Administration Present: Mark Aten superintendent, Brian Fleischman Pres-4 principal, and Bill Johnson 5-12 principal.

Guests Present: J.D. Ourada

Public Comments: None

Reports: None

Communications: No Communications

Absence: Board excused the absence of member Brennan. Motion carried 5-0-1. Voting Yes (5): Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (1) Brennan.

Other:

- a. None

Action Items:

1. **Agenda:** Moved by Lassen, seconded by Jeffries to approve the agenda of the February 9, 2026, regular monthly board meeting as presented. Discussion: Discussion was limited as there were no changes made to the agenda. Motion carried 5-0-1. Voting Yes (5): Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (1) Brennan.
2. **Minutes:** Moved by Jeffries, seconded by Kizer to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2026, as presented. Discussion: Discussion was limited as there were no corrections made to the minutes. Motion carried 5-0-1. Voting Yes (5): Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (1) Brennan.
3. **Claims:** Moved by Kizer, seconded by Walahoski to pay the February General Fund bill roster in the amount \$47,352.52 and the February payroll salary and benefits in the amount of \$364,605.71.

Discussion: Superintendent provided additional information on the bill roster. Motion carried 5-0-1. Voting Yes (5): Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (1) Brennan.

4. Moved by Walahoski, seconded by Jeffries to approve the contract with ESU 10 for the 2026-2027 Special Education Contract, Schedule A Budget Form, and Cooperative Service Agreement. Discussion: Board agreed it was better to contract with ESU 10 for SPED services rather than hire individual district employees. Motion carried 5-0-1. Voting Yes (5): Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (1) Brennan.
5. Moved by Lassen, seconded by Walahoski to approve board policy 6040 Early Childhood Program. Discussion: Board has worked to improve the policy over the last several months and believe this will benefit students and provide parental choice. Motion carried 5-0-1. Voting Yes (5): Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (1) Brennan.
6. Moved by Jeffries, seconded by Kizer to approve the 2026-2027 contract with the PreS-4 principal. Discussion: Superintendent recommended the board approve the contract. Motion carried 5-0-1. Voting Yes (5): Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (1) Brennan.
7. Moved by Meier, seconded by Walahoski to approve the 2026-2027 contract with the 4-12 principal. Discussion: Superintendent recommended the board approve the contract. Motion carried 5-0-1. Voting Yes (5): Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (1) Brennan.
8. Moved by Lassen, seconded by Jeffries to approve Security First Bank and FirstTier Bank as official depositories for all district funds. Discussion: Both banks work with the school district to provide banking services. Motion carried 5-0-1. Voting Yes (5): Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (1) Brennan.
9. Moved by Jeffries, seconded by Lassen to approve the 2026-2027 school calendar as presented. Discussion: The board approved the calendar upon the recommendation of the administration and with input from the staff. Motion carried 5-0-1. Voting Yes (5): Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (1) Brennan.
10. Moved by Walahoski, seconded by Kizer to approve the 2026-2027 Master Agreement with the Overton Education Association. Discussion: The board negotiations committee recommended the board review and approve the agreement. Motion carried 5-0-1. Voting Yes (5): Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (1) Brennan.
11. Moved by Lassen, seconded by Walahoski to adjourn the meeting at 9:06 p.m. Discussion. Very little discussion as the board determined it was time to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0-1. Voting Yes (5): Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (1) Brennan.

Board Reports and Discussion Topics:

1. **Board Reports:**
 - a. Transportation: No Report
 - b. Curriculum: No Report
 - c. Facilities: No Report
 - d. Negotiations: No Report
 - e. Interlocal Committee: Meeting in March
2. **Discussion Topics:**

- a. March Board Meeting Date and Time: Monday, March 9, 2026, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the LMC.
- b. NASB Calendar of Events

3. Board Policy Review Schedule: 3000 Series

- 3001 Budget
- 3002 Deposits
- 3003 Bidding for Construction, Remodeling, Repair, or Site Improvement
- 3003.1 Bidding for Construction, Remodeling, Repair, or Related Projects Financed with Funds
- 3004 Fiscal Management for Purchasing and Procurement
- 3005 School Activities Fund

Administrative Reports:

Prek-4 Principal Report:

- a. 2026-2027 School Calendar
- b. Board Policy 6040 Parental Agreement

Grades 5-12 Principal Report:

- a. Cell Phone Policy for grades 5-8 and 9-12

Superintendent's Report:

- 1. Enrollment Option Report

Option Enrollment:

Out:

- a. None

In:

- b. None

Change of Status:

- a. None

- 2. Financial Update
- 3. Budget Review
- 4. AFLAC Tax Benefit Summary
- 5. Interlocal Funds
- 6. Development of Form to Administer PTO

March 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 PeeWee WR Tournament @ Overton 10AM	2 1st Day of Spring Practice Athletic Booster Mtg. 6PM FFA Mtg. 7PM	3 Elementary Author Visit (AM) Pre-School Registration 9-11, 1-2:30PM	4 FFA Envirothon @ NCTA FCA 7:15AM Pre-School Registration 9-11, 1-2:30PM	5 State GBB @ Lincoln	6 State GBB @ Lincoln	7 State GBB @ Lincoln Speech @ Maxwell
8	9 MS Quiz Bowl @ UNK Cheer Try-Out Practice 6PM Music Booster Mtg. 6:30PM FCCLA Mtg. 7PM School Board Mtg. 7:30PM	10 4th Grade Field Trip to Capitol Cheer Try-Out Practice 6PM	11 End of 3Q (45 days) FCA 7:15AM TE100 Students 9:30AM	12 State BBB @ Lincoln No School— Teacher In-Service	13 State BBB @ Lincoln No School	14 State BBB @ Lincoln
15	16 Spring Sports Pic- tures FKC Quiz Bowl @ Wilcox-Hildreth FKC BB All-Conf. Selection @ Elm Creek 7PM Cheer Try-Out Practice 6PM	17 District Speech @ Elm Creek 9AM Cheer Try-Out Practice 6PM	18 FCA 7:15AM FKC Music Contest @ Axtell	19 Pre-School / Pre-Kindergarten to Children's Museum Cheer Try-Outs 6PM	20 Choir Sing National Anthem @ Storm Hockey	21 Prom @ Overton Family Center 6PM
22	23 NSCAS Window Opens HS Quiz Bowl @ UNK	24 Statewide ACT Testing for Juniors	25 FCA 7:15AM State FFA @ Lincoln	26 State FFA @ Lincoln GO Quad @ Overton 4PM	27 State FFA @ Lincoln TR @ Wilcox- Hildreth 10AM	28
29 State FCCLA @ Lincoln	30 State FCCLA @ Lincoln	31 State FCCLA @ Lincoln TR @ Adams Central 11AM				



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Alt: hot dog	2 B: French toast & green eggs L: Calzone	3 B: Donut holes L: Chicken Patty sandwich	4 B: Banana muffin L: Ham & AuGratin potatoes	5 B: Cinimini L: Waffles	6 B: Poptart L: Pig in a blanket	7
8 No alternate	9 B: Cereal L: Hot dog	10 B: donut L: Bosco stick	11 B: biscuit & gravy L: Tator tot casserole	12	13	14
15 Alt: hamburger	16 B: Oatmeal L: Chicken stir fry	17 B: Breakfast pizza L: taco in a bag	18 B: Waffles L: French toast	19 B: Churro L: chef salad	20 B: Cereal Bar L: Pizza crunchers	21
22 Alt: Bosco stick	23 B: Breakfast cookie L: Crisritos	24 B: Bagel L: Pulled Pork sandwich	25 B: Frudel L: Goulash	26 B: Pancakes L: Pig in a blanket	27 B: Cinnamon roll L: Nachos	28
29 No Alternate	30 B: Donut L: Chicken alfredo	31 B: Breakfast on a stick L: sloppy joe	This menu is subject to change. ***		Overton is an Equal Opportunity provider.	